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## A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Continuation of Box I.1

With the letter of 08.06.2001 the applicant requested that only claims 1-5, 13-22 and 31-34 should be searched.

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Claims Nos.: 6-12,21,23-30,35-37

Regarding Claims 21:

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Claims Nos.: 6-12,21,23-30,35-37

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